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# **ADVOCATES OF WAR** RIOT IN ROME AND TROOPS GUARD CITY

Brought the Italian Situation to Fever Heat.

CABINET'S RESIGNATION **INCREASES TENSION** 

King Victor Emmanuel Has Not Announced That He Will Accept Action.

GRAVE EVENTS BELIEVED NEAR

Socialist Neutralists Attacked in the Streets-Clashes Feared When Peace Advocates Seek to Carry on Propaganda.

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ROME, May 14.—Grave events are expected in Rome in the very near future. Internal disorders fattened on usury on old loans since the loan shark law went into effect, have brought the war situation to fever heat. The resignation of the agreements without license, is a quescabinet has heightened the tenseness of the situation. Pro-war enthusiasts have openly clashed with neutralists, and windows of

a German cafe have been smashed. King Victor Emmanuel today rest has been made. received, in the order named, the following statesmen: Signor

Manfredi, president of the senate; Signor Marcora, president of the chamber of deputies, and Signor Giolitti, a former premier but now the leader of the party in Italy in favor of neutrality.

These are the first evidences of political development of the day, and they were observed with deep interest because of the resignation yesterday of the cabinet on the ground that it did not have the unanimous support of the constitutional parties of the country in its international policy.

The king has not yet announced whether the resignations will be accepted.

### Division Not Desired.

The members of the cabinet found it impossible to bridge the differences separating them from the followers of Signor Giolitti. They handed in their preferred to follow this course rather than appear before parliament when it meets May 20 and give to the world an exhibition of internal division in Italy. which probably would be accompanied do so would be most undignified for

The action of the cabinet leaves King or Emmanuel free to choose the men he considers beat many situation.

### Mentioned for Premier. Both Signors Marcora and Manfred

have been mentioned as possible pre-

Politically the king is above all par

mation enabling him to form excellent dgment as to the feeling of the coun-

It is believed in some quarters here at the present course may bring a olution to the country better than hat which might have issued from the cash of contending elements.

### War Fever Continues.

The war fever continues to spread throughout Italy, and the manifestations in the capital are particularly impressive. A crowd which favored italy's intervention went last night to the hotel at which Gabriele d'Annunzio s stopping, and cheered until the poet appeared on a balcony and spoke ferpeared on a baicony and spoke ler-ly in favor of war. From d'Annun-is hotel the crowd went to the palace Dowager Queen Margherita and ac-lined her wildly. Fro-war enthusiasts engaged in a lef struggle with neutralists who

rief struggle with neutralists who rere holding a meeting in the Place an Sylvestro. In the clash the win-lows of a German cafe and in another stablishment were broken. Mounted

oustration was continued for so me in the central part of the city. Difficult to Guard Embassies.

Popular demonstrations are render is it difficult for the authorities to rotect the German and Austrian embassies and consulates.

Throughout yesterday the exasperation of the people increased and serious riots occurred. Deputy Bertolini, a former minister in Giolitti's cabinet, who was observed in a street car, was attacked by a mob. The car windows were smashed and Bertolini would have been injured had not cavalry officers present, among whom was Lieut. Rospigliosi, son of the commander of the Papal Guards, gone to his rescue. They were obliged to draw their

put in serious danger of his life, but was saved by carabineers from the infuriated people, who cried: "Death to the enemies of the country!"

The political parties whose policies are in favor of Italy remaining neutral have announced the intention of organizing a demonstration to counteract the actions of those who favor intervention in the war.

### Conflicts Are Feared.

The police of Rome, fearing conflicts between the citizens of the various par-ties, are taking extraordinary measures o cope with the situation.

Troops occupy all the important Disorders Have points of the city and are especially in Germans, Admitting Allies' force in the vicinities of the Austro-Hungarian and German embassies. Strong detachments of soldiers also are being kept in the neighborhood of ex-Premier Giolitti's house ready to rush to his defense if necessary.

# USURY ON LOANS AGAIN DISCUSSED

Corporation Counsel Is Asked What He Proposes to Do in "Annie" Case.

### **DETECTIVE WILL PURSUE** DISCLOSURE BY THE STAR

The usury which the colored woman nnie was obliged to pay in clear vioosed by The Star, may result in the wiping out of the remainder of the army of loan sharks now violating the law in Washington.

Whether or not it will result in punishment for all loan sharks who have tion to be settled by the Commission

Following The Star's statement of the ease, despite the evident disposition at the outset to ignore the usury, a detective will be put to work again on corporation counsel; but so far no ar-

In the meantime, in an interview with a Star reporter, William H. Baldwin, chairman of the citizens' committee which worked up the loan shark law, asks the corporation counsel "what he proposes to do?" Particulars in other cases of usury will be supplied to the authorities.

### Explains His Position.

William H. Baldwin, loan shark exfor loan sharp legislation here, was asked today to explain his position in

companies was made, was \$22.10. Now the interest on \$50 paid back in ten monthly payments at 6 per cent, which was all the lender had the right to was all the lender had the right to charge as he had no license, is \$2.75. a total of \$52.75; so that 'Annie' had already paid back not only principal and interest, but \$1.15 usury. She evidently not only failed to get the \$12.50 for the forfeiture of 25 per cent of the principal, which is part of the penalty provided by law in cases where usury is shown, but the corporation counsel's office did not get for her the \$1.15 usury paid in excess of the legal rate. The settlement only released her from the \$23.10 additional usury to which the loan shark never had any claim.

London dispatch as one or undeflevable fury, but the allies are holding firmly to the positions in which they are now established.

The week of battle now drawing to a close left both sides exhausted and breathless, says the Daily News correspondent in the north of France. "To day, Ascension day," he telegraphs, "we are burying our thousands and the Germans perhaps their tens of thousands. The fury of the fighting has been unbelievable and the death roll is apparatus to the positions in which they are now established.

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### Continues Offer of Low Rates.

"He, however, continued to offer her money at low rates, and July 31, 1914, wanting to get a new horse for her market wagon in place of the one which had died, she went to him for the money. This was a new transaction, for if the settlements of the corporation counsel's office mean anything they mean that the previous loan was

they mean that the previous loan was entirely closed.

"In the face of her misfortune, taking advantage of her ignorance and of her necessity, the loan shark demanded then the \$22.10 additional usury on the previous loan made in admitted violation of the law. He forced her to include this in the notes which he exacted from her in payment of the \$46 loan, and obligated her to waive her rights to recover in any way any part of the \$23.10 or the 25 per cent forfeiture. The agreement definitely admits that with excess interest am one-fourth of the principal she had paid back \$39.50 over and above what was legally necessary."

legally necessary.
"It is absurd to say that she paid The is absurd to say that she paid this fearful usury on the old loan because she was "willing." She agreed to pay it because she was obliged to do so in order to get the new loan, and as part of the consideration for it.

"She gave seven monthly notes of \$10 each with 6 per cent interest, making a total of \$71.40 for which she received \$46. This makes a rate of 166 per cent per annum.

The activity noted in the last few days along the center of the Polish front, in the vicinity of Skierniewice and Rawa, is said to have been due to Russian initiative, with the object of 300 set.

### Propounds a Query.

on an old loan after the borrower had paid all she was willing to pay under

# FRENCH THREATEN. BY BIG SUCCESSES, TO CUT FOE'S LINE

Gains in West, Face Wide Retreat.

BATTLE GOES ON WITH "UNBELIEVABLE FURY"

British Forces Doing Little More Than Holding Own Near La Bassee.

ENEMY CHECKED, SAY SLAVS

Berlin, However, Declares That 143, 500 Russian Prisoners Have Been Taken in Galicia and Poland.

LONDON, May 14.-Intensity of the fighting in the western and eastern arenas of war increases with the days.

Falling back of the German forces on a wide front in the west is threatened by the result of French advances, which, if pushed a little farther, will open a great gap in Teuton lines.

The German communication admits the truth of the more important of the claims made by Gen. Joffre, the French commander-in-chief, as to the great successes won by the French between La Bassee and Arras.

In the eastern field the Germanic forces in Galicia, who are said to number 1,500,000 men, are reported to be within twenty miles of Peremysl.

The Russian war office an nounces that the battle in Galicia asked today to explain his position in regard to the statement of Corporation Counsel Syme. Mr. Baldwin replied:
"Perhaps the position of the corporation counsel's office in regard to the loan sharks can be made sufficiently clear from the case of 'Annie,' which was given yesterday, and without attempting now to discuss the stipulation to which reference was made in the corporation counsel's statement; for the facts in this case, as developed by Detective Evans, are admitted.

"Annie borrowed \$50 on June 12, 1913. The loan shark law was passed on Pebruary 4, 1913, and took effect on March 7, so this loan was made more than three months later. She agreed to pay back ten monthly payments of \$7.70, a total of \$77. This amounts to 118 per cent per annum.

"The report shows that she had made seven of these monthly payments at she was released from when 'the agreed the was released from when 'the agreed the

The great battle now in progress in London dispatch as one of unbelievable

palling, but our line is established

upon strong strategic positions along the River San, which runs north and south through central Galicia. They now regard the German drive through west Galicia as having been checked permanently

The arrival of fresh Russian troops, which successfully engaged the German flanks, had relieved pressure upon the Russian center, it is said. These attacks on the German wings, in which the Russian cavalry has been support-ed effectively by mountain artiflery have been prosecuted with unusual nerceness.

not to pressure from the Germans, but "In view of these facts, what does the corporation counsel's office propose to do in this case?

"If the loan shark extorted this money on an old loan after the horrower had."

### New Germanic Offensive.

who was observed in a street car, was attacked by a mob. The car windows were smashed and Bertolin would have been injured had not cavalry officers present, among whom was Lieut. Rospigliosi, son of the commander of the Papal Guards, gone to his rescue. They were obliged to draw their swords and two of the rioters were wounded. Meanwhile police and carabineers hastened to the spot and dispersed the mobs.

Deputy Paota, who was minister of finance in the Giolitti cabinet, was also attacked while driving in his carriage, but he succeeded in escaping.

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The socialist deputy, Dr. Graziadei, of the University of Bologna, who expressed neutral opinions and declared that he considered that the army was pot successed from the considered that the army wa



### Fifty Million Dollars or a Modern Zoo?

Which would you take were the choice offered you? One man, a well known one, too, chose the zoo. Who he is and why he did it is set forth in the Special Features Section of

# BY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS

Brought Into Use in Case

In the event of war between the United States and any other nation, manual training and technical schools important part in upholding the country's honor, according to the suggestion of a resident of this city who is familiar with these schools and their work. He called particular attention to the McKinley Manual Training have the most elaborate and finest machine equipment of any place in the city except the navy yard.

To the north of La Bassee the British are doing little more than holding their own, but at the same time they are keeping great masses of Germans engaged, troops which otherwise would be available against the French offensive.

Russians Fall Back.

Latest dispatches from Petrograd declare the Russians have fallen back upon strong strategic positions along.

### Girls Could Also Aid.

"In the woodworking shops cartridge boxes and cases of various sorts could OUSTS TEUTONIC ROYALTY be turned out. Nor would the girls at such schools be neglected, for, in con nection with their sewing work, the

could make bandages." It is pointed out that with all the says an official announcement issued technical shops in the United States last evening, "has given directions that assisting in making arms and other the following names forthwith equipment, no little aid would be given struck off the role of the knights of to Uncle Sam in case he needed it. It the order: is likely that the shops could be run the full twenty-four hours a day if necessary, just as the commercial and government gun factories abroad have been doing since the outbreak of hos-

ceived \$46. This makes a rate of 166 and Rawa, is said to have been due to Russian initiative, with the object of holding the Germans in their positions amounting to \$40.90 when, because of the importunities of the loan shark, she came to the Associated Charities for assistance.

The equipment in the various schools throughout this country varies greatly, of course. All told, there are nearly of course. All told, there are nearly of course and preventing utilization of these forces elsewhere.

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### SECOND STAGE OF TOUR.

Brazilian Minister Salls From Mon- Dr. Dernburg Refuses to Discuss tevideo for Buenos Aires.

MONTEVIDEO, May 14.-Dr. Laur Muller, the Brazilian minister of for-

LONDON, May 14.—An Athens dis-was written, above his signature: pany states that the illness of King
Constantine is taking its normal course.
Prayers for his recovery were offered today in all churches. His majesty is said to be suffering from an attack of pleurisy which developed from a cold.

Development my arrival here I have made it a point not to mix with any matter under official discussion between the United States and Germany. I think it wise not to deviate from this policy and I have no statement to make."

# GERMAN SUBMARINE REPORTED DESTROYED

Fine Machine Equipment Could Be Captain of British Steamer Believes His Craft Rammed Enemy

BLYTH, England, May 14 .- A German submarine is reported to have been sunk in the North sea. The captain of throughout this country may play an the British steamer Collairnie on reaching port today stated that his vessel rine by running it down off the North umberland coast.

No submarine was seen, but the can tain said his ship struck a submerged School in this city, which is said to obstacle. A large quantity of oil subsequently appeared on the surface and marine had been run down.

Aero Bombards Fishing Boat. LONDON, May 14.—A Reuter dispatch from Ymuiden says the Dutch trawler from Ymuiden says the Dutch trawler mercial travelers will be permitted to Sgravenhage reports that a Taube visit the Orkney Islands after May 24. aeroplane coming from the west dropped three bombs at the fishing bo Wednesday, in spite of the fact that she was flying the Dutch flag. The bombs fell into the sea, where they ex-

### FROM ORDER OF GARTER

LONDON, May 14 .- "The king, as sovereign of the Order of the Garter,'

"The Emperor of Austria, the Ger-Coburg and Gotha and the Duke of Cumberland."

The Order of the Garter was consti-tuted by King Edward III about Au-gust, 1348. Since 1831 it has been con-stituted of the British sovereign and twenty-five knight companions, who were lineal descendants of King George

### HAS NOTHING TO SAY.

U. S. Note to Germany. NEW YORK, May 14.-Dr. Bernhard

Dernburg, former colonial secretary of the German empire, declined to comment today on the administration's note to Germany. "Dr. Dernburg must absolutely re-

fuse to discuss the American note to the German government," his secretary Later in the day Dr. Dernburg, replying to a written question asking for his views on the American note, sent back to interviewers a paper on which "Ever since my arrival here I have

### TO ASSUME OFFICE MAY 20. Maj. Castner Ordered to Adjutant

Generalship of D. C. Militia. Maj. Joseph C. Castner, United States Infantry, who was commissioned April as adjutant general. District of Col as adjutant general, District of Co-lumbia militia, with the militia rank of lieutenant colonel for the usual detail at militia headquarters, has been instructed to assume his duties at headquarters May 20. Maj. Castner has been taking a course of instruction at the Army War College.

### LOBD DE FREYNE IS KILLED.

To Make Lower California Neutral. ON BOARD U. S. S. COLORADO, OFF COAST LOWER CALIFORNIA, by radio to San Diego, May 13.—An attempt to make Lower California neutral terri-tory in the Mexican factional warfare will be undertaken by a commission representing Carranza adherents, it is reported by the United States cruiser Raleigh from La Paz, Lower California.

Barred From Orkney Islands. ABERDEEN, Scotland, May 14 .- The government announces that no com

### How Do Men Act When They're Dying?

WHEN a bit of shrapnel tears across their faces? When a shell rips a limb away? When a bullet finds its mark in their breasts? Do they shriek in pain?

Are there any cowards in the armies? How does modern courage stand up under the terrors of artillery fire, the most awful test of courage that the world has known? Arthur Gleason, a

young author, went to the front with the ambulance corps when the war broke out. For five months he has been engaged in dragging the wounded men off the field, under the hottest fire of guns. He tells a wonderful story in the next Sunday Maga-

The Sunday Star.

### barbarous submarine policy, and all turns on the degree of firmness with which the request is made. For that we must await the official publication Referring to the note of Presiden Vilson to the government of German;

he Westminster Gazette says: "The central fact is that in the nam humanity and international law th of humanity and international law the United States demands a guarantee that the right of neutrals to travel over any portion of the seas in neutral or beligerent vessels shall be respected. This is of profound importance not only for the present war but for the future peace and security of the world, and by dispatching this note the greatest of the neutral powers definitely takes a stand on maintaining the limits hitherto set down for warfare at sea.

**Basing Comment on Unofficial** 

Information They Laud

President's Note.

SAFETY OF AMERICANS"

Westminster Gazette Believes Atti-

tude Means Much for Future Sea

Travel-Paris Pleased.

LONDON, May 14, 2:33 a.m.-Hardly any London morning papers have yet commented on the American no.e. The

Chronicle in a brief editorial thinks that the unofficial forecast of the note

says, if it is correct, it shows that

President Wilson is adhering firmly to

the spirit of his original declaration with reference to strict accountability.

"Nothing less," says the Chronicle could well be asked than a guarantee

for the cessation of the illegal and

Important for Future.

"ACTING FOR HONOR AND

### For Honor and Safety.

"President Wilson is acting for th people, and all of us who have the bias of belligerents will do well to spare him advice or comment in dealing with the situation which may arise out of he dispatch of this note.

"It is more than our cause which is at stake and more than our interests that have to be considered. We will merely take note of the fact that one of the greatest issues of the war is sharply defined in this note and that the answer, whatever it may be, must make clear to the whole world whether or not Germany definitely abjures legal sanction to the limitations of that which hitherto has been unchallengeable between nations."

### Paris Highly Pleased.

PARIS, May 14, 4:30 a.m.—The un fficial version of President Wilson's ote to Germany is highly praised by there next week. Once Resigned From British Army and Enlisted in U. S. as Private.

LONDON, May 14.—The death at the front of Lord de Freyne and of his brother, the Hon. George Philip French, is announced. Lord de Freyne came into the public eye in 1905, when, as Hon. Arthur Reginald French, he resigned his post in the British army and went to the United States and enlisted as a private in the Army there.

Lord de Freyne was born in 1879. He was a lieutenant in the Royal Fusileers and resigned his commission and went to the United States and enlisted as resigned his commission and went to the United States and enlisted and served in the 8th United States fifantity. His father died in 1913, when he succeeded to the title.

The signed his morning's papers. It shows, says the Figaro, that "the era of banal protests in turne. If she breaks these promises, America will proceed to act. The United States, perhaps, will not be necessary. It is possible that the United States and enlisted and went to the United States and enlisted and served in the 8th United States into active neutrality, which will manifest itself, to begin with, by an absolute and complete boycott of Germany which will definitely place her beyond the pale of civilization. We can, in any case, be sure the United States and enlisted and served in the 8th United States fifantion. We can, in any case, be sure the United States fifon. The absolute and complete boycott of Germany which will ast nearly a week, the President will be kept in touch with every develomment in the situation, but only important matters will proceed to act. The United States, perhaps, will not be necessary. It is possible that the United States and enlisted and enlisted in the United States and enlisted and enlisted will not be necessary. It is possible to the situation, but only important matters will be placed before him. He has declined many invitations to events in the situation, but only important matters will be placed before him. He has declined many invitations to events in the United State this morning's papers. It shows, says the Figaro, that "the era of banal pro-

### Lauds Mr. Wilson.

no doubt of the attitude of the United States.

"The President, without mental reservation, has responded to the appeal of his conscience and the voice of his people," the Temps continues.

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"The President of the Temps continues." sador, made an engagement to go to the State Department, it was under-stood, to call Secretary Bryan's atten-The Temps, discussing a cabled fore-

public is an eminent jurist with firm views as to justice and humanity. The her submarine commanders in the tor United States has at heart the justification of its position as a great country, tania, a British ship, with a loss of about 115 American lives, and the great cotemporary naval powers. These are sentiments which inspired the President, who, at the same time, proclaims that the United States should citizens met their death." claims that the United States should give an example of peace for a sub-lime influence in the world. Condol-ences and explanations have not in-fluenced the President's high idea of

# AMERICAN GOVERNORS LAUD PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Approve Its Demands, Firmness and Language in Upholding Nation's Rights.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 14 .- "The President and his advisers at Washington have acted with the utmost caution and deliberation," said Gov. Edward F. Dunne today. "They have only formulated th position of this republic as to the protection of the lives and rights of its citizens after sufficient time has elapsed to let reason and law supplant the shock that resulted from the loss of so many non combatant American lives.

President, has spoken and the patriotic citizenship of the republic stands loyally behind him and will sustain him to the

### Gov. Capper's Comment.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 14 .- "The coun try will fully approve both the substance and the President's firm and powerful note to Germany and the moderation and cour tesy with which the President frames it. Gov. Arthur Capper of Kansas said today "The note is all the more impressive be "The note is all the more impressive because of its temperate and restrained language and its spirit of friendliness and of confidence in the ultimate justice and good will of the German government.

"Less than the President has said in this momentous deliverance to the German government would not have satisfied the sense of the great grievance fied the sense of the great grievance that is suffered in the whole sufficient (Continued on Ninth Page)

# FOREIGN JOURNALS U.S. EXPECTS KAISER PRAISE U. S. STAND TO END "INHUMAN" **USE OF SUBMARINE**

ONE CENT.

Awaits Reply to Note Demanding German Attacks on Non-Combatants Stop.

HOPES FOR DISAVOWAL OF **LUSITANIA TORPEDOING** 

President Requires Guarantee That Undersea War on Merchant Ships Shall Crase.

NEXT MOVE UP TO BERLIN

Mr. Wilson Calmly Prepares for Eventualities Pending Answer From Teutonic Governm at. Goes to Review Fleet.

The government and people of the United States today turned expectantly toward Berlin, where Ambassador Gerard had been instructed to present to the German foreign office a note calling the attention of the imperial government to the "unlawful and inhuman" destruction of the Lusitania, and other violations of

American rights on the high seas. White House officials adopted the policy of silence. They felt that any discussion of the situation at this time would be useless and inopportune, inasmuch as the question is now before the Berlin government.

President to Leave City. The cabinet met today in a regılar session, but no further action was contemplated pending the receipt of Germany's reply. The President took a short automobile ride before the cabinet meeting, and will leave late tonight on the yacht Mayflower for New

York to review the Atlantic fleet

elegraph wires in Italy. Count Bernstorff, the German ambas-

publicity today to disavow the acts of pedoing without warning of the Lusi-Reparation, "so far as reparation is possible," is asked, and the United

States declares it "confidently expects that the imperial German government will take immediate steps to prevent the recurrence" of such acts and prac-No time is specified for a reply, but the communication says "the govern-ment and people of the United States look to the imperial German

### look to the imperial German govern-ment for just, prompt and enlightened action in this vital matter."

Course to Be Pursued. The course to be pursued by the United States in the event of a noncompliance with its requests and expectations is not stated, but high officials pointed out that the conclusion of the note was intended to impress upon Germany that there should be no misapprehension in Berlin of the firm pur pose of the United States to safeguard its rights by any means necessary This is expressed in the final sen-

tence, which says: "The imperial German government will "The imperial German government will not expect the government of the United States to omit any word or any act necessary to the performance of its sacred duty of maintaining the rights of the United States and its citizens and of safeguarding their free exercise and enjoyment."

It was just a week ago today that the Lusitania was struck by a German torpedo and sunk with the loss of many neutral lives, besides about 115 Americans. The United States government is the first to act. The other neutral nations, most of whom have been waiting for the policy of the United States to be revealed, are now expected to decide what representations they will make.

Stand Against Submarines.

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As the note was read today by diplomatists and officials generally, one feature that attracted wide comment was the stand taken by the United States against the use of the submarine as a commerce destroyer, the attention of commerce destroyer, the attention of the German government being called to "the practical impossibility" of employ-ing these undersea craft to destroy merchantmen "without disregarding those rules of fairness, reason, justice and humanity which all modern winion regards as imperative."